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Third man charged in connection with Christmas Day murder of a neighborhood coach

PASADENA – A third reputed gang member was charged today with capital murder in the Dec. 25 fatal shooting of a neighborhood athletics coach who was caught in the line of fire during a car-to-car shooting, the District Attorney's Office announced.

Jerron Donald Harris, 25 (dob 10-5-87), is charged in case GA088554 with one count of murder with the special circumstances of discharging a firearm from a motor vehicle and murder to further a criminal street gang. He's also charged with one count of attempted murder, two counts of shooting at an inhabited dwelling, and possession of a firearm by a felon, charges that include personal discharge of a handgun.

Deputy District Attorney Stefan Mrakich with the Hardcore Gang Division said the charges mirror those against 20-year-old co-defendant Larry Darnell Bishop Jr., who was charged last week.

Harris was allegedly riding in the front passenger seat of a car driven by Bishop when both men allegedly opened fire on a car driven by another man who was the intended target, Mrakich said. An innocent bystander, Victor McClinton, 49, who was walking a fellow coach to his car at Newport Avenue and Wyoming Street in Pasadena, was fatally shot, authorities said.

Harris and Bishop are charged with McClinton's murder and the attempted murder of the driver who crashed his vehicle into a light pole after he sustained a gunshot wound. A third defendant, Gary Aurthur (CQ) Davis, 20, is charged in the same complaint as being an accessory after the fact.

Harris is scheduled to be arraigned after 2 p.m. today at Los Angeles Superior Court in Pasadena, Department D.

Bishop and Davis return to court Jan. 23 at the Foltz Criminal Justice Center, Department 30, for arraignment.

Prosecutors will decide later whether to seek the death penalty for Harris and Bishop.